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### Shipping

1. The first step in the process is to identify the problem or issue that needs to be addressed. This involves gathering information and understanding the context of the problem.

**Steamers.**

**THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**FOR MANILA (DIRECT.)**

The Steamship  
*Dejima*,  
Capt. CHRISTENSEN, will  
be despatched for the  
above Port on **FRIDAY**, the 27th Inst., at  
4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**RUSSELL & Co.,**  
*General Managers,*  
Hongkong, March 23, 1891. 597

**UNION STEAMSHIP COMPANY OF  
BRITISH COLUMBIA.**

**FOR VICTORIA, B.C., & PORTLAND,  
OREGON, VIA KOBE AND  
YOKOHAMA.**

The Steamship  
*Yokohama*,  
Captain URSWORTH, will  
be despatched on **MON-**  
**DAY**, the 30th Inst., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

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ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, March 21, 1891. 581

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FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE AND  
HAMBURG.

(Taking Cargo at through rates, to  
ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTER-  
DAM, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON,  
LIVERPOOL and BREMEN.)

The Steamship  
Daphne,  
Captain J. Voss, will



above Ports on **TUESDAY**, the 31st Inst.  
at 10 a.m.


For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**SIEMSEN & Co.,**  
*Agents.*  
Hongkong, March 23, 1891. 598

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**Sailing Vessels.**

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**FOR NEW YORK.**  
The 3/4 L.L.I. American Ship  
*Imperial*  
CROSSBY, Master, will leave here  
for the above Port, and will



have quick despatch.  
For Freight, apply to  
**RUSSELL & Co.**  
Hongkong, January 31, 1891. 214

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**Intimations.**  
**CANTON INSURANCE CO.,**  
**LIMITED.**  
ADJUSTMENT OF BONDS FOR THE YEAR 1890.

CONTRIBUTORS to the above OFFICE  
are requested to Furnish the Under-  
signed with a List of their CONTRIBUTIONS

for the year ending 31st December, 1890, in  
 Order that the DISTRIBUTION of BONDS  
 may be arranged. Section 10, read over  
 prior to the 31st day of MARCH INSTANT  
 will be adjusted by the Officer, and no  
 Claims or Alterations will be subsequently  
 admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
 General Agents,  
 CANTON LARGESHIP OFFICE, LIMITED,  
 Hongkong, March 2, 1891. 493

THE PUNJON AND SUNGHEE DUA  
 SAMANTAN MINING COM-  
 PANY, LIMITED.

THE Fifth Ordinary Half-Yearly MEET-  
 ING of SHAREHOLDERS in the  
 above Company will be held at the Com-  
 pany's Office, No. 9, Queen's Road, on  
 WEDNESDAY, the 31st March, 1891, at 4

at 12 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with the Statement of Accounts to the 30th September 1893.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company shall be CLOSED from the 17th to the 30th instant, both days inclusive.

A. O. D. GOURDIN,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 16, 1893. 532

THE FUNGOM AND SUNGHEE DU  
SAMANTAN MINING COM-  
PANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, 2, Queen's Street, Hongkong, on TUESDAY the 22nd of March, 1893, at 4 o'clock of the clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing Resolutions to alter the Articles of Association by striking out paragraph 2 of article 9, and paragraph 1 of Article 13, and to amend the Articles of Association to increase the Capital of the Company by the issue of 80,000 New Shares of

each. Further to authorize the Company to further increase its Capital from time to time to such amount as may be deemed expedient. A Resolution will also be proposed authorizing the Directors to abandon or otherwise dispose of the Sungshui Duan Yamantan property.

By Order of the Board,

A. O'D. GOURDIN,  
*Secretary.*

Hongkong, March 17, 1891. 539

**NOTICE.**

**HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK  
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**SHIPMASTERS AND ENGINEERS** are respectfully informed that, if upon their arrival in this Harbour, **NOTICE** of the Company's **FOREMAN** should be at the Office for **REPAIRS** if sent to the **Chief Officer, No. 14, Praya Central**, will receive prompt attention.

In the Event of Complaints being found necessary, Communication with the Under-**secretary** is requested, when immediate steps will be taken, to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

**D. GILLIES,**  
*Secretary.*

Hongkong, August 26, 1946. 1455



## Entertainments.

**THEATRE ROYAL**  
**CITY HALL.**

**Tonight,**  
TUESDAY, 24th March.  
**LAST NIGHT! LAST NIGHT!**  
OF  
**MR. GEO. C. MILN.**  
Supported by  
**MISS LOUISE JORDAN**  
and Original Company, in  
**"HAMLET,"**  
which was played on Saturday night before a very large audience, and received with the greatest enthusiasm.

**THURSDAY, 26th March,**  
**"THE MERCHANT OF VENICE."**

**SATURDAY, 28th March,**  
**"RICHARD III."**  
Popular Prices—2s and 1s. Soldiers and Sailors Half-Price to 10s.  
Box Plan at Messrs KALBY & WATSON'S.  
Doors Open 8.30; Overture 8.50. Curtain rises 9 o'clock prompt. For Programme of Season see Hand Bill.  
Hongkong, March 24, 1891. 592

**THEATRE ROYAL**  
**CITY HALL.**

**THE HONGKONG AMATEUR**  
**DRAMATIC CLUB.**

**THE above CLUB will give a**  
**PERFORMANCE**  
**ON**

**MONDAY, March 30th,**  
**AND**  
**TUESDAY, March 31st,**  
When will be produced an ORIGINAL COMEDY  
by JAMES ALBERT, entitled

**TWO ROSES.**

By kind permission of Lieut.-Colonel CHATFIELD and the Officers, the BAND of the 1st Bata. Argyl and Sutherland Highlanders will perform during the evening.  
Tickets can be obtained from Messrs. LANE, CHAMFORD & Co., on and after Monday, March 23rd, at 11 a.m.  
PRICE, 2s and 1s.

Doors open at 8.30 p.m. Performance to commence at 9 o'clock p.m.  
Hongkong, March 10, 1891. 519

## Notices to Consignees.

**CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY**  
**COMPANY.**

**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.**  
S.S. EMPRESS OF INDIA,  
FROM LIVERPOOL, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the Wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-morrow.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 30th Inst. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 30th Inst., or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

**ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, March 23, 1891. 530

**AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S**  
**STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.**

**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.**  
FROM TRIESTE, PORT SAID, SUEZ, JEDDAH, SUKUMI, MANSAWAH, RODEDDA, ADEN, BOMBAY, COLOMBO, PENANG & SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the Wharves delivery may be obtained.

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Agents.  
Hongkong, March 23, 1891. 530

**MOGUL LINE OF STEAMERS.**

**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.**  
S.S. MAUDUFF, FROM MIDDLESBRO, GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the Wharves delivery may be obtained.

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Agents.  
Hongkong, March 23, 1891. 530

**INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION**  
**COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND**  
**ALUTTA.**

The Co.'s Steamship *Wingang*, Capt. E. CROX, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, at Noon (the 27th Inst.), instead of as previously advertised.

This Steamer has superior First-class Accommodation, especially constructed to meet the requirements of tropical climates.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

**JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,**  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, March 24, 1891. 538

**NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.**

**FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.**

The Co.'s Steamship *Maikoku Maru*, Capt. J. B. MACMILLAN, will be despatched for the above Ports on MONDAY, the 30th Inst., at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

**GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, March 24, 1891. 533

## Notices to Consignees.

**SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.**  
**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.**

STEAMSHIP *BRECONSHIRE*, FROM HAMBURG, ANTWERP, LONDON, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the Wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-morrow.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 30th Inst. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 30th Inst., or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

**ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, March 23, 1891. 599

**FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND**  
**SINGAPORE.**

The S.S. *Aglaia*, Capt. E. CHRISTIANSEN, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature by the Underwriter, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from the Godowns.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-morrow.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 20th Inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 20th Inst., at 4 p.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

**SIEMSEN & Co.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, March 19, 1891. 568

**THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP**  
**COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**THE Eighth Ordinary General Meeting of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Company, Praya Central, on TUESDAY, the 31st March, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, declaring a Dividend, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.**

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 18th to 30th Inst., both days inclusive.

**RUSSELL & Co.,**  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, March 24, 1891. 492

**NOTICE.**

MONDAY, 30th Inst., being a BANK Holiday, the above Meeting is POSTPONED till TUESDAY, 31st Inst., at the same hour.

**RUSSELL & Co.,**  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, March 24, 1891. 510

**INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION**  
**COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**FOR SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW.**  
(Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates for KINHO, CHEFOO, TIENTSIN, NEWCHANG, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTSE.)

The Co.'s Steamship *Chongang*, Capt. BRADLEY, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 26th Inst., at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

**JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,**  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, March 24, 1891. 503

**STEAM TO MANILA (DIRECT).**

The Steamship *Fernando*, Capt. J. LEWIS, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 26th Inst., at 3 p.m.

This Steamer has superior Accommodation for First-class Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

**JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,**  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, March 24, 1891. 502

**DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,**  
**LIMITED.**

**FOR SWATOW, AMOY, TAIWANFOO**  
**AND TAKOW.**

The Co.'s Steamship *Hayling*, Capt. HARRIS, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 27th Inst., at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

**DOUGLAS LAFFRACK & Co.,**  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, March 24, 1891. 509

**INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION**  
**COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND**  
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Agents.  
Hongkong, March 24, 1891. 533

## To-day's Advertisements.

**THEATRE ROYAL**  
**CITY HALL.**

**Under the distinguished patronage of His Excellency the Governor, Mr. G. W. Des Vreux, K.C.M.G.**

**MADAME PATEY**  
**AND HER CONCERT PARTY.**

**GOOD FRIDAY.**

Owing to the postponement of the Zeinon, till Saturday, MADAME PATEY has been requested to a Performance of

**HANDEL'S "MESSIAH,"**  
on the EVENING of

**GOOD FRIDAY, 27th March,**  
when she will be assisted by Several Lady and GENTLEMEN AMATEURS who have kindly volunteered their services.

POPULAR PRICES.  
Dress Circle and Stalls, 2s. 6d.  
Back Seats, 1s. 6d.  
Soldiers and Sailors, half-price to Back Seats.  
Doors open at 8.30. Concert to commence at 9 o'clock.  
Plan at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH'S, Ltd., Hongkong, March 24, 1891. 605

**VICTORIA PRECEPTORY.**

A regular MEETING of the VICTORIA DAY NEXT, the 31st Inst., at 6 for 6.30 p.m. precisely. VISITING BROTHERS are cordially INVITED to attend.

Hongkong, March 24, 1891. 601

**THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**TO LET.**

**KNUTSFORD TERRACE,**  
**KOWLOON.**

HOUSES, with 5 ROOMS, including Bath Rooms, TESSIN COURTS. Good view and healthy situation. Rent and Taxes, \$32 a month.

Apply to

**THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.**  
Hongkong, March 24, 1891. 607

**Occidental & Oriental Steamship Company.**

**TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS**  
**TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE.**

**VIA**  
**THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,**  
**AND**  
**ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.**

The Steamship *Belgica* will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on TUESDAY, the 14th April, 1891, at 1 p.m., connection being made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports.

All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full, and same will be received at the Company's Office until 5 p.m. the day previous to sailing.

First-class Fare granted as follows:—  
To San Francisco, \$225.00  
To San Francisco and return, \$393.75  
To Liverpool, \$325.00  
To London, \$330.00

To other European ports at proportionate rates. Special reduced rates granted to Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service and the Imperial Chinese Customs, to be obtained on application.

Passengers by this Line have the option of proceeding Overland by the Southern Pacific and connecting Lines, Central Pacific, Northern Pacific or Canadian Pacific Railways.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China, or Japan (or vice versa), within one year will be allowed a discount of 10%. The allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo, destined to points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agents, or to the Company, New York, New York, or to the Company, San Francisco, California.

**J. S. VAN BUREN,**  
Acting Agent.  
Hongkong, March 24, 1891. 604

**DAKIN BROS. OF CHINA,**  
**LIMITED.**

**CHEMISTS, &c.**

**VINOLIA SOAP.**

FOR DELICATE SKIN.

Contains extra Cream instead of free soda and potash, which eat into and shrivel the skin, hair, and nails. It is also deodorized and dehydrated. For the Toilet, Nursery, Bath, Skin Kevins, and Shampooing.

THE SOAP OF THE AGE.

The Chemist and Druggist reports:—"Vinolia" Soap is an ideal Soap, is delightfully perfumed and the skin has a velvety feeling after washing with it.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agents, or to the Company, New York, New York, or to the Company, San Francisco, California.

**J. S. VAN BUREN,**  
Acting Agent.  
Hongkong, March 24, 1891. 604

**VINOLIA.**

A Plastic Emollient Cream for the Skin in health and disease. Relieves Itching, Insect Bites, Sunburns, Chafes, Prickly Heat, and all Skin Irritations at once. Unequalled for the Nursery. Recommended by the Medical Profession.

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A soothing, soluble, skin-resisting powder, free from irritants. For Toilet, Nursery, Bath, Skin Kevins, and Shampooing.

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**VINOLIA.**

## Business Notices.

**4, QUEEN'S ROAD.**

**NEW SHIPMENT**

**QUILTS, DIAPERS,**

**INDIA LONG CLOTHS.**

**LINEN and COTTON SHEETINGS**

**SAMPLES AND PRICES ON APPLICATION.**

**New Premises, opposite Connaught House.** 672

**Lo-day's Advertisements.**

**LOST.**

AT or near the City Hall Theatre, on MONDAY EVENING a DIAMOND CRESCENT BROOCH made of three Ornaments with three Sapphires in centre.

A liberal REWARD will be Paid for its return.

**"X. Y. Z."**  
Care this Office.  
Hongkong, March 24, 1891. 606

**HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.**

NOTICE is hereby given that the FOURTH and FINAL CALL of £10.12.6 Sterling per Share on the 20,000 Shares, NEW ISSUE, of this Corporation will fall due on the 30th September current in London, CALCUTTA, BOMBAY, SHANGHAI and HONGKONG.

Registered Shareholders are requested to pay at the respective Offices the above Call or its equivalent in the currency of the above mentioned places, sending at same time the Provisional Certificates to be endorsed.

The rate of Exchange for the FOURTH CALL is fixed in Hongkong at 32 per \$ or \$67.142 per Share.

Interest at the rate of 9 per cent per annum will be charged on overdue Calls.

By Order of the Court of Directors,  
**F. DE BOVIS,**  
Acting Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, March 24, 1891. 608

**SHIPPING.**

**ARRIVALS.**

March 23, 1891:—  
*Mika Maru*, Japanese steamer, 1,367, J. B. Macmillan, Sydney March 4, General.  
*Geo. R. Stevens & Co.*

March 24:—  
*Chongang*, British steamer, from Whampoa.

*Taiyang*, British steamer, 1,505, Hogg, Shanghai March 19, and Swatow March 23, 2 boxes Treasures and General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

*Haiphong*, British steamer, 1,120, H. O. A. Harris, Kobe March 17, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO.

*Natal*, French steamer, 2,073, Verrou, Shanghai March 21, Mails and General.—MISSISSAUGUE MAILING CO.

*Asagami*, Japanese str., 1,531, H. Selok, Nagasaki March 19, Coal.—MIRAL BUREAU.

*Bendler*, British steamer, 1,294, C. K. McIntosh, N. R. R., Kobe March 18, General.—GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

*Vendia*, British steamer, 1,669, Greory, Bombay and Singapore March 17, General.—F. & O. S. N. Co.

*Haiphong*, French steamer, 845, M. Roussel, Haiphong March 21, 700 ton Rice and General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

*Polina*, for Saigon.

*Astoria*, for Yokohama.

*Gadfa*, for San Francisco.

*Somdech Phrayang*, for Swatow.

*Falkenberg*, for Saigon.

*Chongang*, for Swatow.



The concert of sacred music given at the Theatre Royal last night was an entertainment such as can be but rarely enjoyed here, and the programme met with acclamatory approval. Mademoiselle Patey sang "There is a green hill far away," "O rest in the land," and "He shall feed his flock," and it is hardly necessary to say that her singing of these gems afforded her audience great pleasure. Miss Bertha Rossey was heard to great advantage in "Angels over bright and fair," "Gounod's Ave Maria," and "With verdure clad." Mr. Patey's contributions were "How willing, my paternal love," and "Arm, arm ye brave." Mr. Lomond gave a couple of flute solos, and the same number of piano-forte solos by Mr. Morris made up a most interesting and enjoyable programme. On this occasion, Mademoiselle Patey and her party had the assistance of one of our local amateurs, Mr. N. J. Robinson, who gave a very artistic and acceptable rendering of the solo, "If with all your hearts," from "Elizah."

The Legislative Council meets to-morrow. The following are the Orders of the Day:

1. Financial Minutes.
2. Report of the Finance Committee No. 1.
3. Honourable J. J. Kewick will ask the following question:—  
Will the Government inform the Council whether in view of the progress of the New South Wales steps have been taken for special Police supervision of native passengers embarking on steamers, and if not, is it the intention of the Government to adopt any measure whatever?

4. Honourable T. H. Whitehead will move the following resolution:—  
That in consequence of the enhanced Military Contribution will be demanded by the Imperial Government, this Colony is not in a position to pay the increased Salaries recently recommended by the Unofficial Members, and that the Secretary of State be requested by telegram to withhold his sanction on the subject.

5. Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Printers and Publishers Ordinance, 1886.

6. Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance for the Naturalization of Lau Sai and Lau Wei Chai.

7. Committee on the Bill entitled The Gambling Ordinance, 1891.

The Chinese Times announces that Senator H. W. Blair, of Manchester, N.H., has been appointed U.S. Minister to China.

The German gunboat *Itz* left Shanghai on the 20th inst., for Fouchow, where she will meet the other four vessels of the German squadron in these waters.

The N.-C. Daily News says:—It is not probable that the *Czarevitch* will call in at Shanghai after all, as he did at Singapore, but quietly, and so as to avoid any formal reception.

According to a telegram in Australian papers, dated 23rd March, the American House of Representatives has rejected the subsidy for a cable between Hawaii and the United States. The question has been referred to a conference.

The Chinese Times, in its issue of the 14th inst., says:—From a notice among the advertisements it will be observed that the issue of the Chinese Times is about coming to an end. Only two more numbers, after the present one, will be published.

The *Hupao* says:—H.E. the Viceroy of Canton is making great preparations to receive H.H.H. the *Czarevitch*. The public library is being decorated and furnished, and in it His Imperial Highness is to stay with his temporary quarters. Painted silk and silks are erected along the Tien-tze Wharves where the *Czarevitch* will land. All the high civil and military officials headed by the Viceroy are to be on the wharf to give His Imperial Highness a hearty welcome. No part of the highest honours would be so distinguished a guest will be omitted.

The *Shanghai Mercury* of 18th inst. says:—As the *Kobe Maru*, on her way from Japan, was coasting the Whangpoo at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, she came in collision with the *Petroleum*, outward bound. The collision occurred at broad daylight, and we have not yet heard if clearly explained. The fluke of one of the *Kobe's* anchors was driven through a couple of her gun plates, and the *Petroleum* was holed. The fluke of the anchor was broken clean across, and a portion of it penetrated two plates, and stuck in the bows of the *Petroleum*. But the damage to both vessels was well above the waterline, though the *Petroleum* was unable to turn back to have the hole patched up before proceeding to sea. The *Kobe*, in addition, lost a small portion of her air, but her damage was not very serious.

Our Chungking correspondent writes under date the 1st inst. that as far as could be seen the British authorities in China were taking no part whatever in the opening of the port. The only announcement of the port was the posting-up in the new Custom-house of the regulations of trade, which had not even been submitted to the representative of the British Government, at whose instance the port was opened, for approval or comment. The British Consul at Chungking and Ichang had neither of them received any instructions whatever, and the former had not been authorized to write up "British Consular" over his door, or provided with a flag to fly. The Commissioner of Customs has simply taken his orders from the Taotai, as the British Government takes no interest in the matter, and the Taotai can be as obstructive as he likes. The Chinese at Chungking are equally indifferent, now that they know that there are no consuls. Our correspondent adds that the whole way up from Ichang at the different stopping-places, the universal question was: "When is the steamer coming?" Sir John Walham has confessed no reason to be proud of his Convention, but having negotiated it he is glad that it is signed, the least he could have done was to preserve his interest in it until the port was actually opened. He obviously does not consider what a bad effect this indifference must have upon the Chinese. Perhaps this report is true, but he is anxious to pay out Sir Robert Hart for not assisting him in getting the Upper Yangtze opened to steamers. It is the Customs now who are most anxious to see foreign trade flourish at Chungking, and Sir John does not propose to exert himself to gratify the Inspectors-General. N.-C. Daily News.

The *Hupao* says:—Two lads from different villages in Kiangting quarrelled at a market place and had a fight. Several adults joined in, and a general scrimmage ensued. The headmen of the two villages held a council of war and agreed to settle the dispute by force of arms. On the appointed day the rival villagers met, drawn up in battle array headed by huge lamora. Swords, spears, and firearms were freely handled. Both sides fought with desperate fury and only parted when night closed on them. There were many killed and wounded on both sides, and quiet has not been restored. The magistrate has sent down a guard to keep order.

The N.-C. Daily News says:—We know now that we have not to blame Mr. Howard for the arrangements which prevent Mr. Alabaster's coming to Shanghai as Consul-General, but he is to be thanked for suggesting the elevation of the Consulate at Canton, and the conversion of Mr. Alabaster into Consul-General there. We heartily congratulate Mr. Alabaster on the promotion, and Canton on a change that ensures Mr. Alabaster's remaining there for the present, but there is universal regret here that he is not to succeed Mr. Hughes. It is only fair to say that Mr. Alabaster was appointed British Minister, we should all rejoice; but the Foreign Office does not plan another Sir Harry Parkes, more able representative suit it better.

#### ORIOKET.

A. K. O. O. N. "KABOOS OF INDIA." The above meeting will commence at 11 a.m. on Friday and be continued on Saturday. Tiffin on the ground on Friday. The following team will represent the club:—  
C. S. Barff R. Garde, a.s.  
O. J. Campbell, (Skip) Maj. Hannay, (Skip)  
G. S. Goxon S. A. Leach  
S. L. Darby E. W. Maitland  
Capt. Dunn

#### SUPREME COURT.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.  
(Before Sir James Russell Chief Justice.)  
Tuesday, March 24.

LEUNG KIT LAM v. S. B. SHABA.

In this case the plaintiff sought to have the defendant restrained from erecting a public latrine in the vicinity of his (the plaintiff's) house. Mr. Pollock, instructed by Mr. Chikwah and Mr. Wilson, appeared for the plaintiff; and Hon. Ho Kai instructed by Mr. Ho Waiyan, for the defendant.

The cross-examination of the defendant, S. B. Shaba, was resumed.

What you are asked is whether the erection of the latrine would depreciate the value of the adjoining property? Would it?

Witness—Yes, I think so.

Witness—Perhaps not to fifteen per cent. Mr. Pollock—But you are not in the plaintiff's position, would not you object to a latrine being erected next door?

Witness—Yes, I would.

His Lordship—How do you reconcile that with your position in this case? You profess to be a witness, and you would depreciate the value of the plaintiff's property to fifteen per cent., and you say you would object to it yourself if you were in the plaintiff's place.

Witness—I am not putting up the latrine. I am only asked to state what I think as the defendant in this case. How is that?

Witness—I am the registered owner of the property.

His Lordship—I don't think there is any use for proceeding further with the case. The defendant admits that what is proposed to be done would be a wrong and an injury to the plaintiff.

Witness—I am the registered owner of the property.

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the imports from and exports to the various countries trading with China.

	1889.	1890.
Great Britain	96,567,725	104,947,865
Great Britain (Canton)	36,824,281	37,703,273
Other countries (Canton)	59,743,444	67,244,592
Japan (Canton)	13,700,000	12,221,122
United States	10,889,785	11,840,005
India	8,996,644	11,355,978
Macao	5,317,397	6,117,382
Russia and Siberia (via Kiakhta)	3,961,061	4,527,848
Japan (Shanghai)	3,414,793	3,490,265
Singapore and Siam	3,161,221	3,236,919
Australian Colonies	2,431,606	1,490,718
British North America	1,142,663	1,196,730
Russian Manchuria	679,089	827,395
Java and Sumatra	406,443	220,036
Cochin-China, Tonkin and Annam	226,800	474,327
Siam (Bangkok)	411,626	445,661
Perth, Egypt, Algiers & Aden	234,824	370,873
Philippines	413,923	269,470
South Africa and Mauritius	266,797	216,460
South America	3,353	892
Total	207,611,631	218,237,001

Korea 320,536 526,347

Although one cannot accept in its full literal signification the saying that statistics may be made to prove anything, there can be no doubt that their value lies in their interpretation. No right conclusions can be drawn from the statistics of the trade of China for 1890 without taking into account the great fluctuations in the rate of exchange. The decrease in the total exports of China is perhaps mainly due to the rise in the value of silver, and doubtless a considerable amount of the increase in imports is also attributable to this cause. The figures for the last three years are significant:—

	Value.	Value.
1888.....	Tls. 154,738,993.....	Tls. 92,401,067
1889.....	Tls. 110,484,355.....	Tls. 92,947,892
1890.....	Tls. 177,093,451.....	Tls. 87,144,480

The Statistical Secretary (Mr. E. Maclean) mentions other contributory causes, such as the increased competition of India and Ceylon in the tea trade and the floods which swept the plain of Chihli and devastated a vast area of the country, but he considers exchange the dominating cause. He says:—"Without giving minute details, I may record here that the telegraphic transfer prices of the Shanghai Tael on London rose by 100 movements from 44 3/4 d. on the 28th February to 52 3/4 d. on the 5th September, a difference of 23 per cent., and thereafter fell to 48 3/4 d. on 26th November, or 13 per cent., and no wonder that the Export market languished and suffered a loss of volume; but it is foreign to the aim of this Report to dwell on the phases and merits of the struggle between gold and silver prices."

The fairly satisfactory state of the legitimate non-gambling business of Hongkong is further shown in the returns for the Kowloon and Lappa stations. The figures are:—

	1889.	1890.
Kowloon	32,215,916	38,592,182
Lappa	9,047,438	10,358,659

Another instructive table given in the report is the one showing the total value of the foreign and coast trade carried by the ships of the various nationalities:—

Flag.	1889.	1890.
English.....	308,130,563	332,459,001
Chinese.....	17,247,023	187,330,128
German.....	29,225,381	28,037,261
French.....	14,166,366	11,311,190
Japanese.....	9,065,072	11,110,401
Russian.....	6,900,448	6,688,211
Danish.....	6,000,234	2,906,444
American.....	2,566,259	1,495,184
Scandinavian.....	435,508	362,588
Austrian.....	428,962	428,962
Spanish.....	398,340	143,821
Italian.....	112,340	112,340
Dutch.....	112,340	112,340
Non Treaty.....	4,941	22,015
Total.....	549,911,613	593,449,607

The decline in the tea trade is well illustrated by the following figures, which give the export in piculs:—

	1889.	1890.
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significant modifications, as the Russian Government gave a clear apprehension of the difference between a provincial and an imperial representation. The elaborate arrangements to make one thing look like another may be termed a "display" and may be the object; and it may well after all be the Autocrat's desire to be destined to illuminate the imperial councils of China.

This is the gist of the matter: the Chinese have agreed to give H.H.H. the provincial reception, while pretending that it was an imperial one, and this it seems that the *Czarevitch* will have now realized.

It will perhaps be remembered that in writing on the 5th inst. on the reception of the *Czarevitch*, we stated that in this statement in the Taotai's letter to the Senior Consul announcing the expected arrival at Woosung of H.H.H. the Hair Apparent of Russia: "At the same time the Excellency the Superintendent of Tado for the Southern Port, the Viceroy Shih Ping-ching, is expected to arrive at Shanghai from Woosung in the course of an inspection of fact."

We suggested that some amusement would possibly be caused by this sentence, but it was not so. The Viceroy Shih Ping-ching, thought at first sight, though it might have passed off unnoticed, but for the stand taken at first by the Viceroy of Hukang.

The Viceroy who had arranged to meet the *Czarevitch*, the Viceroy Shih Ping-ching, had been ordered to leave his post for wholly different purposes, both of them to inspect facts, and to mention whatever being made in their march to the Viceroy of Hukang. The proposed reception by the Viceroy of Hukang is entirely a personal matter, and as he does not have to leave his post to receive his visitor, he has not had to ask permission from the throne at all. What the Viceroy at Peking has arranged to do we have not heard; but he also does not leave his post.

The Russian government have been finding out what the proposed reception really amount to, and in consequence the visit to Chefoo has been postponed, and the visit to Shanghai, if it takes place at all, will be postponed. No official ceremony is to be accepted from the Chinese, and as at present decided, the *Czarevitch* will only go where he can be met by Russians.

That is the information that we have received, but the Russian programme has been so indefinite, owing to complete rearrangements not having been made beforehand as they should have been, that there may be more changes, or the Chinese government may even at the last moment see the mistake it has made in not having accepted the Hair Apparent of Russia, and in trying to divide him with mock courtesies.

In accepting the audience at the Tze Kung Ko, our representatives have acted on the principle that half a loaf is better than no bread; but for the Russian government to grant it, the Russian government is not going to do that on principle in the matter of the *Czarevitch*.

The last audience was held by the Emperor Tung Chih in 1874 (1), since when the minority of the present Emperor has been the chief reason assigned by the Chinese to the refusal to receive the *Czarevitch*, a reason which the Foreign Envoys have not desired to dispute. This guarded from any premature handling, the question has now developed of itself; and the forbearance of the Ministers being rewarded by an Imperial Edict on the 13th of January 1890, inviting the Ministers and *Changé d'Affaires* to an Audience in the Spring.

Various reports have been current as to the cause of inspiration of this Edict, which has been the subject of much conjecture. One rumour assigned the personal interest in the Foreign Ministers taken by the Emperor himself as the cause; another, the representations of Li Hung-chang; a third, those of H.H.H. Minister to the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs, however, it is probable that the Emperor at any rate hastened by the desire of the Emperor himself.

The Edict had stated that the ceremony was to be on the same lines as in 1873. In short, an Imperial appointment, and the Foreign Minister's reception, followed between Prince Ching and the other members of the Tzeung-li Yamen on the one hand, and H.H.H. von



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G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.

Hongkong, March 24, 1891.

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